

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	7343	Agenda Number	61.
Meeting Date:	June 23, 2011				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a contract with LONGHORN INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS, LTD, Austin, TX for the purchase of two box vans in an amount not to exceed \$104,624.80.

Amount and Source of Funding
Funding in the amount of \$104,624.80 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget of the Library Department.

Fiscal Note					
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.					
Purchasing	Best evaluated bid of three bids received.				
Language:					
Prior Council					
Action:					
For More	Sharon Patterson, Senior Buyer, 972-4014				
Information:					
Boards and					
Commission					
Action:					
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority – Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this contract.				
Related Items:					
Additional Backup Information					

This contract is for the purchase of two new box vans which will be assigned to the Library Department. The box vans will be equipped with a rear-entry ramp and adjustable shelves to be used in the general purpose of hauling materials, books, and other miscellaneous equipment and items as required by the Library Department.

The Austin Climate Protection Program team and Fleet staff have worked together to develop a vehicle purchasing process in our progress towards our citywide objective of obtaining carbon neutrality by 2020. The development of the purchasing criteria incorporates emissions impact, available technologies on the market, physical demands on the vehicle, and service application. These criteria are applied to all vehicles submitted to Fleet for purchase.

In order to determine the best value to the City, evaluation criteria included cost of the vans and local economic impact.

These box vans are powered with engines capable of burning biodiesel (B20) fuel. In line with Austin Climate Protection Program goals, B20 provides an approximate 25% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions versus using gasoline and an approximate 5% reduction versus using petro-diesel.

The vehicles in this RCA have been recommended for purchase utilizing a process that involves the Fleet Officer, affected Department Directors, and Assistant City Managers (ACMs). ACM approval is required for all new additions to the City's fleet prior to any requests being made to the Purchasing Office.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB Best-Value No. SAP0118 (1 line item)

Longhorn International Trucks, LTD. \$104,624.80 Austin, TX

Rush Truck Centers of Texas

Buda, TX

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Rush Truck Centers of Texas (Alternate Bid) *
Buda, TX

*The bid received from Rush Truck Centers of Texas was disqualified for violating the Anti-Lobbying Ordinance; therefore can not be considered for award.

A copy of the complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- Seventy-one notices were sent. There are no known MBEs/WBEs available for this commodity.
- c. This is the first recent purchase for this item; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- Best-evaluated bid received.
- The Purchasing Office concurs with Fleet's recommended award. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.